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1. U.S. SECTION AGREES EMBASSY RECOMMENDATION THAT INDUSTRY SUBGROUPS AT FUTURE MEETINGS MIGHT BE USEFUL AND APPROPRIATE. ALTERNATIVELY, CONSIDERATION COULD BE GIVEN TO ESTABLISHMENT JOINT CONSULTATIVE GROUPS AS ENVISAGED IN DECEMBER JOINT ECONOMIC STATEMENT. FOR FIRST COMMISSION MEETINGS, MINISTERS IN MACHINE BUILDING AND CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES MIGHT WISH PARTICIPATE IN WORKING GROUP ON INDUSTRIAL COOPERATION AND JOINT VENTURES WHERE POSSIBLE AREAS FOR JOINT COOPERATION WILL BE
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DISCUSSED. U.S. PARTICIPANTS IN THIS WORKING GROUP WILL BE

PREPARED TO RECORD ROMANIAN PROPOSALS IN THESE AND OTHER
PRIORITY INDUSTRIES FOR PROMPT DISSEMINATION TO AMERICAN FIRMS.

2. UNDER AGENDA ITEM B.4 "CONTRACT FULFILLMENT" U.S. SECTION
PLANS TO REVIEW SPECIFIC TRADE COMPLAINTS OF U.S. FIRMS. SOME
OF THESE CENTER ON THE PROBLEM OF NON-DELIVERY OF GOODS PROMISED
IN VALID CONTRACTS (OFTEN BECAUSE OF SUBSTANTIAL WORLD MARKET
INCREASES IN THE PRICE OF THE COMMODITY). LISTING OF
INDIVIDUAL CASES FOLLOWS SEPTEL. OUR CONCERN HAS HEIGHTENED
BECAUSE COMPLAINTS AGAINST ROMANIANS HAVE BEEN BROUGHT TO THE
ATTENTION OF CONGRESS AND WE SEEK AVOID ANY NEGATIVE IMPACT
ON TRADE LEGISLATION. IN DISCUSSING THESE ISSUES WE WILL OF
COURSE HAVE IN MIND RECENT CASES OF NON-CONTRACT FULFILLMENT
BY U.S. FIRMS RAISED BY ROMANIANS. RUSH

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